

## Research Consent Information: Occupation and Political Preferences

As a member of the YouGov panel, you are invited to participate in a study being conducted to examine political preferences across the American public and to understand variation in these preferences.

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## Screeners

**[votereg]** Are you registered to vote?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No [TERMINATE]
- <3> Don't know [TERMINATE]

**[inputregstate]** In what state are you registered to vote?

## Omni questions

**[TAX\_rate]** Thinking about the current income tax rate, when it comes to those making over \$200,000 per year, do you feel that their tax rate is too low, about right, too high, or are you not sure?

- <1> Far too low
- <2> Somewhat too low
- <3> About right
- <4> Somewhat too high
- <5> Far too high

**[STATE\_DC]** Would you [support or oppose] granting [statehood/full voting rights] to Washington, DC, currently a Federal District?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support

- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose

**[STATE\_PR]** Would you [support or oppose] granting [statehood/full voting rights] to Puerto Rico, currently a US Commonwealth?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose

**[SEXWORK]** Would you [support or oppose/oppose or support] expanding decriminalization of sex work, as Nevada has done recently? **This would make it legal for adults to consensually pay for sex.**

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose

**[LOCALNEWS]** Would you support or oppose expanding Federal and state tax subsidies for publicly owned local news outlets? Such subsidies are typically paid for by increasing taxes on individuals and corporations, and by deficit spending.

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[REDFLAG]** Several states have recently enacted Extreme Risk Protection Order laws, also known as “red flag” laws, which allow courts to temporarily remove firearms from the homes of individuals who are deemed to pose a violent risk to themselves or others. Do you support or oppose these “red flag” laws?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[STUDEBT]** Would you support or oppose reversing the tax cuts passed in 2017 by Congressional Republicans and signed by President Trump, and using any proceeds to cancel

outstanding student debt?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[GND]** Would you support or oppose a Green New Deal to end fossil fuel use in the United States and have the government create clean energy jobs? The plan would be paid for by raising taxes, including a tax on carbon emissions.

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[BDS]** Do you support or oppose laws forbidding Federal, state, or local employees and contractors from promoting boycotts of Israel?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[PRISVOTE]** Do you [support or oppose/oppose or support] allowing incarcerated US citizens to vote while incarcerated?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[PROSPAY]** Typically, public defenders are paid from the state budget and so raising their pay would likely involve tax increases or deficit spending by the state. Do you [support or oppose/oppose or support] increasing the pay of public defenders so that it is equal to that of prosecutors?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose

- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[FEES]** Would you support or oppose reducing the use of prison sentences in the justice system and replacing them with fees and penalties?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[SSCAP]** Currently, individuals pay Social Security taxes on the first \$128,400 of their income and pay no Social Security tax on incomes above that. Would you support or oppose a policy to remove that cap so that Social Security taxes are paid on income above the first \$128,400?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[OVERTIME]** Would you support or oppose a policy requiring companies to pay time-and-a-half for salaried workers earnings up to \$75,000 per year for every hour they work above forty hours per week?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[FOURDAY]** Would you support or oppose a policy limiting the work week to four days? Employers in the US are not currently required to give employees any days off.

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[TELMED]** Would you support or oppose expanding access to birth control that would include telemedicine options for medical abortion, in which a doctor remotely assists patients with terminating a pregnancy by taking medication instead of using surgical techniques?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[MINWAGE]** Would you support or oppose a policy to raise the federal minimum wage to \$20 per hour?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**[WEALTAX]** Would you support or oppose imposing a 2% tax on the assets of those with a net worth over \$50 million and a 3% tax on the assets of those with a net worth over \$1 billion?

- <1> Strongly support
- <2> Somewhat support
- <3> Neither support nor oppose
- <4> Somewhat oppose
- <5> Strongly oppose
- <6> Not sure

**(Randomize order of NAMEANYDEM and NAMEANYREP)**

**[NAMEANYDEM]** {open} Please name any Democratic woman who currently holds elected office somewhere in the United States.

**[NAMEANYREP]** {open} Please name any Republican woman who currently holds elected office somewhere in the United States.

## **Work Questions**

**[employed]** Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

- <1> Working full time now
- <2> Working part time now
- <3> Temporarily laid off
- <4> Unemployed
- <5> Retired
- <6> Permanently disabled
- <7> Taking care of home or family
- <8> Student
- <9> Other

**IF 3,4,5,6,7,8,9 SKIP TO class\_neighbor**

Now we are going to ask you a few questions about your current job. If you work multiple jobs then please answer based on whatever job you consider to be your primary job.

**[work\_employees]** At your current job, are there employees that report to you?

- <1> Yes
- <2> No

<3> Don't Know

**[work\_comp]** Do you regularly use a computer at work?

<1> Yes

<2> No

<3> Don't Know

**[pp\_daily\_intuse\_work]** On a typical day, about how many hours do you use the Internet at work for work purposes?

<1> More than 6 hours per day

<2> 3-6 hours per day

<3> 1-2 hours per day

<4> Less than one hour per day

**[work\_customers]** Do you deal directly with clients or customers at work?

<1> Yes, as a primary point of contact

<2> Yes, but as a junior or secondary point of contact

<3> No

<4> Don't Know

**[work\_benefits]** Does your employer provide you with health insurance?

<1> Yes, and I use my employer-provided insurance

<2> Yes, but I get my health insurance elsewhere

<3> No

<4> Don't Know

**[work\_pay]** Is your base pay paid per hour, per assignment, or salaried?

<1> Per hour

<2> Per assignment

<3> Salaried

<4> A mixture

<5> Other

<6> Don't Know

**[jobsec]** How concerned are you about losing your job in the next 12 months?

<1> Very concerned

<2> Somewhat concerned

<3> Not very concerned

<4> Not at all concerned

<5> Don't know

**[side\_job\_US]** Do you have a side job or paid hobby? If so, please check of the following reasons why you have a side job or paid hobby.

<1> Extra money

- <2> It's my real passion
- <3> To create something
- <4> To give back
- <5> For personal growth
- <6> For fun
- <7 xor> Not Applicable - I do not have a side job or paid hobby
- <8 xor> Not Applicable – I do not currently work

**[employ\_worktype]** What kind of work do you do?

- <1> Maintenance, installation, repair (EXAMPLES: Electrician, plumber, janitorial staff, landscaping, installation technician, mechanic, etc)
- <2> Production, machine operation, transportation (EXAMPLES: Factory worker, manufacturer, distribution, bus driver, ride share or cab driver, pilot, conductor, etc.)
- <3> Construction, extraction (EXAMPLES: Contractor, carpenter, roofer, oil driller, miner)
- <4> Farming, fishing, forestry
- <5> Healthcare support occupations (EXAMPLES: Hospital/Doctor/Clinic's administrative and operational staff)
- <6> Healthcare professional (EXAMPLES: Physician, surgeon, nurse, EMT, radiologist, veterinarian, etc.)
- <7> Computer programmer, coder, software developer, web developer
- <8> Life, physical, social science occupations (EXAMPLES: Chemist, physicist, sociologist, psychologist, biologist, anthropologist, researcher, etc.)
- <9> Engineer
- <10> Office, administrative, legal support (EXAMPLES: Secretary, IT staff, human resources, paralegal etc.)
- <11> Management (EXAMPLES: Chief executive, project manager, business owner)
- <12> Food preparation and serving (EXAMPLES: Waiter, cook, chef, any work in fast food restaurants, etc.)
- <13> Personal care (EXAMPLES: Manicurist, hair dresser, barber, masseuse, personal trainer, etc.)
- <14> Business/Finance support (EXAMPLES: Accountant, banker, financial analyst, consulting, etc.)
- <15> Sales and related occupations (EXAMPLES: Telemarketers, retail, customer service, cashier, real estate, etc.)
- <16> Teacher, instructor, librarian (EXAMPLES: Tutor, professor, trainer, educational jobs)
- <17> Writer, editor, journalist, media (EXAMPLES: Publisher, author, advertiser, public relations)
- <18> Protective service occupations, military (EXAMPLES: law enforcement, firefighters, security, military, etc.)
- <19> Community and social services occupations (EXAMPLES: School counselor, school aid, child care, non-profit worker, clergy, etc.)
- <20> Legal professional (EXAMPLES: Prosecutor, defense attorney, corporate attorney, judge, etc.)
- <21> Other, please specify (RECORD RESPONSE)

- <22> Not sure
- <23> Hospitality
- <24> Government administration
- <25> Entertainment, music, arts, and design (EXAMPLES: Actor, musician, choreographer, director, producer, curator, painter, etc.)

**[NRSCLASS] [CODE IN BACKGROUND]** British NRS class employment equivalent.

- <1> "A" IF employ\_worktype in 6, 7, 8, 11, 14
- <2> "B" IF employ\_worktype in 5, 9, 17, 20
- <3> "C1" IF employ\_worktype in 10, 13, 15, 16, 24, 19
- <4> "C2" IF employ\_worktype in 1, 2, 3, 4, 25, 18
- <5> "D" IF employ\_worktype in 12, 23

**[DOWORK]** {open} What do you do at your job?

**[WORKDIVERSE]** Demographically (i.e., by race, sex, etc.) how would you describe the environment of your workplace?

- <1> Very diverse
- <2> Not very diverse, and most employees are demographically similar to me
- <3> Not very diverse, and most employees are demographically different from me

**[WORKSAFE]** How would you describe your physical safety at work?

- <1> I feel physically safe
- <2> I sometimes feel physically unsafe, and the physical risks of my job are part of my job description
- <3> I sometimes feel physically unsafe, and the physical risks of my job are not part of my job description

**[class\_neighbor]** Are most of your neighbors working class, middle class or upper class?

- <1> Working class
- <2> Middle class
- <3> Upper class
- <4> Don't Know

**[parents\_ed]** Do either of your parents have a college degree?

- <1> Yes, both have college degrees
- <2> Yes, one parent has a college degree
- <3> No, neither parent has a college degree
- <4> Don't know

**[PAID]** How much paid vacation time should employers be required to provide to their employees? Employers in the United States are not currently required to provide any vacation time.

- <1> None, employers should not be required to provide vacation time



- <2> 1 week
- <3> 2 weeks
- <4> 3 weeks
- <5> 4 weeks
- <6> More than 4 weeks

[class\_open] What do you think it means to be working class in America?

## Court questions

Next, we are going to ask you some questions about the United States Supreme Court, and some upcoming cases that will be heard before the Supreme Court.

**[KARNOSKI]** The case of *Karnoski v. Trump* concerns President Trump’s executive order to ban transgender people from serving in the military. **The plaintiffs** argue that the executive order is an unconstitutional violation of equal rights and protections for transgender servicepeople. **The defendants** argue that the President as Commander in Chief has the authority to decide who can serve. Which comes closer to your view?

- <1> I agree that the transgender ban is unconstitutional
- <2> I agree that the transgender ban is constitutional
- <3> Don’t know

**[REGENTS]** The case of *Regents of the University of California v. Department of Homeland Security* concerns President Trump’s executive order to end Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, known as DACA. **The plaintiffs** argue that the executive order is an unlawfully arbitrary and capricious means of revoking protected status for young immigrants. **The defendants** argue that the President has the right to extend or revoke immigration protections. Which comes closer to your view?

- <1> I agree that rescinding DACA this way is unconstitutional
- <2> I agree that rescinding DACA this way is constitutional
- <3> Don’t know

**[PICS]** In *Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District No. 1*, the Supreme Court ruled that it was unconstitutional for school districts to use students’ race as a tiebreaker when choosing which students should attend which schools. **The plaintiffs** argued that using student race as a tiebreaker in school assignments served interests other than desegregation. **The defendants** argued that using race as a tiebreaker predominantly served desegregation interests. How do you feel about this ruling?

- <1> I agree that using race in a desegregation plan in this way is unconstitutional
- <2> I agree that using race in a desegregation plan in this way is constitutional
- <3> Don’t know

**[SHELBY]** In the 2013 ruling *Shelby County v. Holder*, the Supreme Court ruled that it was unconstitutional to require some states to “pre-clear” any changes to voting laws if those states have a history of racial discrimination in their voting rules. Some say that requirement was necessary to prevent states from drawing districts in ways that disenfranchise non-white voters, while others say the “preclearance” standard was outdated. How do you feel about this ruling?

- <1> Regardless my opinion on ballot access for minorities, I believe Federal preclearance requirements are unconstitutional

<2> Regardless my opinion on ballot access for minorities, I believe Federal preclearance requirements are constitutional

<3> Don't know

**[BURWELL]** In the 2014 ruling *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*, the Supreme Court ruled that some corporations are exempt from regulations requiring those corporations to include birth control coverage in their insurance plans, which their owners objected to on religious grounds. Some say religious objections should not apply to corporations, while others say that they should. How do you feel about this ruling?

<1> I agree it is constitutional for corporations to make religious objections to Federal regulations

<2> I disagree it is constitutional for corporations to make religious objections to Federal regulations

<3> Don't know

**[REDISTRICTING]** Legal scholars believe the Supreme Court will revisit the constitutionality of non-partisan redistricting commissions. Non-partisan redistricting commissions are used in some states to draw new legislative district boundaries, while in other states, the legislatures draw district boundaries. Which of the following comes closest to your view?

<1> Non-partisan redistricting commissions are constitutional

<2> Non-partisan redistricting commissions are unconstitutional

<3> Not sure

**[SCOTUSQ1]** How many Justices sit on the United States Supreme Court?

**[SCOTUSQ2]** What is the last name of the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court?

**[SCOTUSGRID]** The Supreme Court of the United States consists of nine Justices. For each of those Justices, please rate whether you strongly approve, somewhat approve, neither approve nor disapprove, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job that Justice is doing on the Supreme Court.

-Strongly disapprove|Strongly approve

**(Split A)**

<1> John Roberts

<2> Clarence Thomas

<3> Sonia Sotomayor

<4> Ruth Bader Ginsburg

<5> Brett Kavanaugh

<6> Elena Kagan

<7> Samuel Alito

<8> Stephen Breyer

<9> Neil Gorsuch

**(Split B)**

<1> John Roberts, nominated by George W. Bush

<2> Clarence Thomas, nominated by George H.W. Bush

<3> Sonia Sotomayor, nominated by Barack Obama

<4> Ruth Bader Ginsburg, nominated by Bill Clinton

<5> Brett Kavanaugh, nominated by Donald Trump

<6> Elena Kagan, nominated by Barack Obama

<7> Samuel Alito, nominated by George W. Bush

<8> Stephen Breyer, nominated by Bill Clinton

<9> Neil Gorsuch, nominated by Donald Trump

**[SCOTUSIDEO]** For each of the following Supreme Court Justices, please place them on the following ideological scale.

-Very conservative|Very liberal

**(Split A)**

- <1> John Roberts
- <2> Clarence Thomas
- <3> Sonia Sotomayor
- <4> Ruth Bader Ginsburg
- <5> Brett Kavanaugh
- <6> Elena Kagan
- <7> Samuel Alito
- <8> Stephen Breyer
- <9> Neil Gorsuch

**(Split B)**

- <1> John Roberts, nominated by George W. Bush
- <2> Clarence Thomas, nominated by George H.W. Bush
- <3> Sonia Sotomayor, nominated by Barack Obama
- <4> Ruth Bader Ginsburg, nominated by Bill Clinton
- <5> Brett Kavanaugh, nominated by Donald Trump
- <6> Elena Kagan, nominated by Barack Obama
- <7> Samuel Alito, nominated by George W. Bush
- <8> Stephen Breyer, nominated by Bill Clinton
- <9> Neil Gorsuch, nominated by Donald Trump

**[COURTVIEW]** Even if its not exactly right, which of the following comes closest to your view?

- <1> The current Supreme Court mostly decides cases on their Constitutional merits, rather than on the Justices' political preferences
- <2> The current Supreme Court mostly decides cases on the Justices' political preferences, rather than on the Constitutional merits of the case

**[COURTAPPROVE]** Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Supreme Court is handling its job?

- <1> Strongly approve
- <2> Somewhat approve
- <3> Neither approve nor disapprove
- <4> Somewhat disapprove
- <5> Strongly disapprove

## Voting Questions

**[PRES\_APP]** Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

- <1> Strongly approve
- <2> Somewhat approve
- <3> Neither approve nor disapprove
- <4> Somewhat disapprove

<5> Strongly disapprove

**[pid3]** Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

<1> Democrat

<2> Republican

<3 fixed> Independent

<4 fixed> Other **[pid3\_t]**

<5 fixed> Not sure

**[pid7\_dems if pid3 in [1]]** Would you call yourself a strong Democrat or a not very strong Democrat?

<1> Strong Democrat

<2> Not very strong Democrat

**[pid7\_reps if pid3 in [2]]** Would you call yourself a strong Republican or a not very strong Republican?

<6> Not very strong Republican

<7> Strong Republican

**[pid7\_oths if pid3 in [3,4,5]]** Do you think of yourself as closer to the Democratic or the Republican Party?

<3> The Democratic Party

<5> The Republican Party

<4 fixed> Neither

<8 fixed> Not sure

**[dtrpsupp ask of PID7 in [5, 6, 7]]** Do you consider yourself more a supporter of President Donald Trump or a supporter of the Republican Party?

<1> Trump supporter, strongly

<2> Trump supporter, somewhat

<3> Republican Party supporter, somewhat

<4> Republican Party supporter, strongly

<5> Not sure

**[ideo5]** In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

<1> Very liberal

<2> Liberal

<3> Moderate

<4> Conservative

<5> Very conservative

<6 fixed> Not sure

**[turnout16, ask if votereg=1]** Did you vote in the election on Tuesday, November 8, 2016?

<1> Yes

<2> No

**[presvote16post, ask if turnout16=1]** Who did you vote for in the election for President?

<1> Hillary Clinton

<2> Donald Trump

<3 fixed> Gary Johnson

<4 fixed> Jill Stein

<5 fixed> Evan McMullin

<6 fixed> Other **[presvote16post\_t]** {open}

<7 fixed> Did not vote for President

**[djtrelect]** Regardless of how you voted in 2016, with the information you have now, would you vote to re-elect Donald Trump in 2020?

<1> Yes

<2> No

<3> Not sure

**[housevote16post, ask if turnout16=1]** In the election for U.S. House of Representatives in November of 2018, who did you vote for in the district where you lived?

<1> The Democratic candidate

<2> The Republican candidate

<3 fixed> Another candidate

<4 fixed> Did not vote for a representative in Congress in 2016

Do you have . . . . YES/NO/DON'T KNOW

**[fin\_emerg]** Money set aside in case of an emergency?

**[fin\_checking]** Checking account at a bank or a credit union?

**[fin\_savings]** A savings account?

**[fin\_cashing]** Place where you cash checks, other than a bank?

**[fin\_cc]** A credit card, such as a Visa or MasterCard?

**[fin\_loan]** Loan from a bank/credit union, such as for a car?

**[fin\_car]** A car, truck, or other vehicle?

**[fin\_sticks]** Stocks or mutual funds?

**[HOME\_OWN]** Do you, or anyone else in your family living there, own the home/apartment, pay rent, or what?

<1> Own home/apartment

<2> Rent home/apartment

<3> Other

**[OPIOID]** Do you know someone who you would say abuses or is addicted to an opioid-based substance like Codeine, Oxycontin, heroin, or Fentanyl?

<1> Yes

<2> No

<3> Don't know

**[union\_combined]** Are you a current or retired member of a labor union? If no, is any member of your household a union member? Check all that apply.

<1> Yes, current member

<5> Yes, retired member

<2> Yes, someone in household is a current member

<6> Yes, someone in household is a retired member

<3 xor> No one in household is a member

<4 xor> Not sure

**[GENDER\_4]** What is your gender?

<1> Male

<2> Female

<3> Non-binary

<4> Other

**[gender if 0]** What is your gender?

<1> Male

<2> Female

**[birthyr]** In what year were you born?

**[educ]** What is the highest level of education you have completed?

<> Did not graduate from high school

<2> High school graduate

<3> Some college, but no degree (yet)

<4> 2-year college degree

<5> 4-year college degree

<6> Postgraduate degree (MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, etc.)

**[race]** What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

<1> White

<2> Black or African-American

<3> Hispanic or Latino

<4> Asian or Asian-American

<5> Native American

<8> Middle Eastern

<6> Mixed Race

<7> Other **[race\_txt]** {open}

**[hispanic; asked if race !=3; if race=3, code as 1]** Are you of Spanish, Latino, or Hispanic origin or descent?

<1> Yes

<2> No

**[faminc\_new]** Thinking back over the last year, what was your family's annual income?

- <1> Less than \$10,000
- <2> \$10,000 - \$19,999
- <3> \$20,000 - \$29,999
- <4> \$30,000 - \$39,999
- <5> \$40,000 - \$49,999
- <6> \$50,000 - \$59,999
- <7> \$60,000 - \$69,999
- <8> \$70,000 - \$79,999
- <9> \$80,000 - \$99,999
- <10> \$100,000 - \$119,999
- <11> \$120,000 - \$149,999
- <12> \$150,000 - \$199,999
- <13> \$200,000 - \$249,999
- <14> \$250,000 - \$349,999
- <15> \$350,000 - \$499,999
- <16> \$500,000 or more
- <97> Prefer not to say

**[urban]** Would you say that the area where you live is more urban, suburban, or rural?

- <1> Urban
- <2> Suburban
- <3> Rural